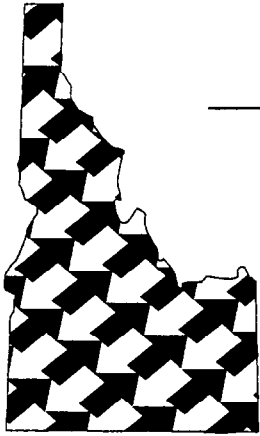


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Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory



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Dear Ms. Hain:

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The Idaho National Engineering and Environmental Laboratory (INEEL) Citizens Advisory Board has received the Proposed Plan for Operable Unit 10-04, Waste Area Groups 6 and 10. We understand that the U.S. Department of Energy, Idaho Operations Office (DOE-ID) plans to receive public comments on the Proposed Plan over a 30-day public comment period ending February 27, 2002.

The INEEL CAB is interested in reviewing and commenting on the Proposed Plan. We cannot, however, do so within the confines of a 30-day public comment period. As you know, the consensus processes by which the CAB operates require sufficient time to conduct our review, develop a draft recommendation, and consider the recommendation at a full CAB meeting. The first meeting during which the CAB could consider a recommendation on the Proposed Plan will be March 19-20, 2002. We therefore respectfully request a 30-day extension in the public comment period to allow for CAB review and comment.

We look forward to your timely response to this request.

Sincerely,

Stanley Hobson
Chair, INEEL Citizens Advisory Board

cc: Mark Frei, DOE-ID

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